Application No. 09/936,266

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Amendments to the Sp cification

Please replace the Abstract with the attached amended/substitute Abstract. The Abstract is revised as follows:

Method for In-vitro Testing of Active Substances, Device and Its Use

Summary:

ABSTRACT

the <u>first</u> steps for <u>of</u> providing a cell culture container with an interior chamber, and an inside wall, and with a first and second membrane system located in the interior chamber, with a <u>A</u> cell culture chamber is formed between the membrane systems and the inside wall of the interior space chamber. The method includes providing a cell culture and cell culture medium in a cell culture chamber, supplying a fluid nutrient medium to the cell culture chamber, and carrying away metabolic products by means of the first membrane system, adding at <u>At</u> least one gaseous medium is added to the cell culture chamber by means of the second membrane system, adding and at least one active substance is added to the cell culture chamber, with the supplying taking The supplying takes place according to an adjusted active substance concentration-time curve and monitoring cell vitality. In addition, a device and the use of said device for testing the effect of idarubicin on the leukemic cell line CCRF CEM is described.

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0001] Description:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention

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Please replace paragraph [0002] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0002] The invention relates to a method for testing active substances on cells invitro, a device, and its use a process for employing the device.

Page 1, after paragraph [0002], please insert new paragraph [0002.1] as follows:

[0002.1] 2. Discussion of Related Art

Page 4, after paragraph [0010], please insert new paragraph [0010.1] as follows:

[0010.1] <u>SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION</u>

Page 5, after paragraph [0013], please insert new paragraphs [0013.1] - [0013.8] as follows:

[0013.1] BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING

- [0013.2] Figure 1 is a flowchart of a device of the invention.
- [0013.3] Figure 2a is a cross section through a modular active substance testing system with devices of the invention.
- [0013.4] Figure 2b is a cross section through a modular active substance testing system with three stacked planes with devices of the invention, and
- [0013.5] Figure 3 is a top view of a modular active substance testing system comprising six devices of the invention.
- [0013.6] Figure 4a is an active substance concentration-time curve shown as Profiles 1 to 3.
- [0013.7] Figure 4b shows the vital cells in four different cell culture containers as presented (inoculum) and as harvested cells (cell harvest).

[0013.8] DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

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Please cancel paragraphs [0058] to [0063].

Top page 22, cancel " Method for In-vitro Testing of Active Substances, Device and Its Use"

Page 22, before claim 1, replace the paragraph "Claims:" with the following rewritten paragraph:

Claims What is claimed is: